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In re application of

Docket No: Q83911

Bhanu KAPOOR, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/711,971

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Examiner: DO, THUAN V

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For:

A METHOD, SYSTEM, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR AUTOMATIC

INSERTION AND CORRECTNESS VERIFICATION OF LEVEL SHIFTERS IN

INTERGRATED CIRCUITS WITH MULTIPLE VOLTAGE DOMAINS.

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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REMARKS

Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated August 1, 2006. Applicant notes that independent reasons, other than those indicated by the Examiner, exist for the allowability of claims 1-36. Further, Applicant submits that the claims are allowable because of the combination of the claimed features, and not based on the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance. Moreover, the claims should be governed by the actual claim language and not the Examiner's reasons for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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